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Dear GW Community,

The Interfraternity Council is excited to announce that the George Washington University will welcome the re-establishment of the Alpha-Pi Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity to campus beginning in January, 2018. Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) has built numerous chapters across the country with the intent to “create lifelong relationships that enhance educational, interpersonal, community and professional success”. Over the past two semesters, the GW Interfraternity Council (IFC) leadership and Greek Life Office staff have been working together to prepare the organization for its successful return.

Founded on January 10, 1899, Tau Kappa Epsilon is one of the largest collegiate men’s social fraternities in North America with over 272,000 initiated members and 246 active chapters and colonies. The Alpha-Pi Chapter boasts an alumni membership of over 900 men as well as the unique distinction of having the current TKE International President being a GW alumnus. TKE will join our community with support from its Headquarters, local chapter Alumni Board, as well as countless support from its Greater Washington DC Alumni Association.

TKE Expansion Coordinator, Nick Kimble (nkimble@tke.org), will serve as primary recruiter, and will be on campus in late January until early April. Although, TKE will not participate in the IFC’s formal recruitment process, they will host events after. Specifically, Nick will formally begin meeting with men to discuss the fraternity with those who express interest starting February 11, which is the day after Bid Day. According to Nick, these young men will form their “Alpha-Pi refounding class” and will have the unique opportunity to shape the fraternity into something special.

The inclusion of TKE is an opportunity for our fraternity system to add more choices on campus, and the greater university community welcomes them back to campus.

Sincerely,

Harley Pease
2017 Interfraternity Council President
The George Washington University